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FOR RANSOM FROM SAUNDERS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, SA, YE

SUBJECT: US-SAUDI COOPERATION IN SUPPORT OF NORTH YEMEN:  
CONVERSATION WITH SALIH

REF: SANA 3434

1. I WANT TO COMMEND YOU FOR THE SUPERB JOB YOU HAVE BEEN  
DOING IN DEALING WITH THE NEW YEMENI GOVERNMENT AND PARTI-  
CULARLY FOR YOUR DEFT HANDLING OF WHAT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN  
A RATHER TRYING ENCOUNTER WITH THE CHIEF OF STAFF. YOU  
ARE CORRECT IN NOT RAISING YEMENI EXPECTATIONS THAT WE ARE  
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PREPARED TO GO BEYOND THE CURRENTLY APPROVED PROGRAM AT THIS  
TIME. WHILE WE ARE KEEPING AN OPEN MIND, WE PREFER TO GET  
THE CURRENT PROGRAM WELL IN TRAIN BEFORE MAKING ANY  
DECISIONS ON FURTHER REQUESTS.

2. WE ARE SYMPATHETIC TO SALIH'S COMPLAINT THAT US-SAUDI  
COOPERATION ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE IS NOT ALWAYS DONE IN

FULL CONSULTATION WITH THE YEMENIS. AS PART OF OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH SAUDIS ON NEXT STEPS, PERHAPS DURING JULY 29 MEETING, WE COULD RAISE THE ISSUE OF OUR ATTACHE BRIEFING YAR ON RESULTS OF MEETING. THIS COULD THEN SERVE AS BASIS FOR FURTHER CONTINUING CONSULTATIONS ON THEIR MILITARY PROGRAM.

3. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE POSTS' AND USMTM'S COMMENTS ON DESIRABILITY OF GENERAL CATHEY CALLING ON APPROPRIATE YARG OFFICIALS IN EARLY AUGUST.

4. WE WILL, OF COURSE, STAY IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH SAG PRIOR TO AND THROUGHOUT OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH YAR. CHRISTOPHER

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